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Honorable Judge Paul G. Gardephe

United States District Court

Southern District of New York

40 Foley Square, Rm 2204

New York, NY 10007

**Re: *The Basu Group, Inc. v. Seventh Avenue, Inc.*, 1:16-cv-00461 (PGG)
Parties' Joint Letter Regarding Trial Dates and Trial Appearance of Indian
Artist**

Dear Judge Gardephe:

Pursuant to Your Honor's instructions during the conference held on April 26, 2018 in the above-referenced civil litigation, this is the parties' joint letter addressing their positions on a date for the trial of this action and appearance at trial of the Indian artist alleged to have created the peacock art accused of infringement in this action.

Trial Dates:

The parties have been unable to reach agreement on a trial date. Following are the parties' separately proposed dates.

Plaintiff's Proposed Trial Dates: Plaintiff proposes the following alternative dates for trial of this action (which dates are in line with those suggested by the Court during the conference).

- a. July 23, 2018 – July 25, 2018, inclusive; or
- b. July 31, 2018 – August 2, 2018, inclusive.

Defendant's Proposed Trial Dates: Defendant proposes the following trial dates.

- a. The week of September 17, 2018, to provide for witness availability, in part because preliminary information indicates that certain potential witnesses from India will require significant time to obtain necessary travel visas.

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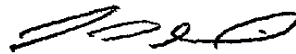
Indian Artist:

The parties are still discussing whether the dispute over the Indian Artist's testimony can be narrowed or eliminated.

Therefore, the parties respectfully request a 1 week extension, to May 10, 2018, to submit their joint letter on the issue of the Indian artist.

Defendant's counsel, David Brezina, has read and agreed to this letter.

Respectfully submitted,



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